

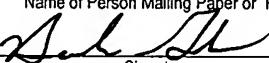
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified application, filed  
concurrently herewith, please amend this Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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